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## ABSTRACT

The invention provides a brain-specific gene useful in treating Alzheimer's disease, for instance, which comprises a nucleotide sequence cording for the amino acid sequence shown in SQ ID NO:1 and fragments thereof; an expression vector comprising the gene; a host cell comprising the expression vector; an expression product of the gene; an antibody against the product; a therapeutic and prophylactic composition for neurodegenerative disease; and the like.